

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of	Customer No.: 27182
Thomas J.Hunt et al.	Confirmation No.: 3290
Application No.: 10/668,255	Group Art Unit: 1793
Filed: 9/24/2003	Examiner: Stoner, Kiley S.
Title: METHOD FOR BONDING A SPUTTER TARGET TO A BACKING PLATE AND THE ASSEMBLY THEREOF	Docket No. 21256

REPLY AND AMENDMENT
PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R §1.111

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

This is in response to the Official Action issued February 2, 2009. The Examiner set a three-month period for response making the Reply and Amendment due on Monday, May 4, 2009, given that May 2nd is a Saturday.

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